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**Drug Analysis Laboratory Monthly Status Report**

**March, 2011**

**Amherst and Jamaica Plain (combined)**

Cases\* submitted to the laboratories this month.....1081  
Number of items\* contained in these cases.....2038

Cases analyzed by the laboratories this month.....1271  
Number of items analyzed this month.....2310

Laboratories' backlog (Items)..... 2941  
Average time per analysis (turnaround time)..... 53 days  
Number of preliminary/priority analyses performed ..... 113

**Analysis Backlog**

Unanalyzed items in the laboratory on the last day of the month

1-15 days old	888	30%
16-30 days old	810	28%
31-50 days old	461	16%
Greater than 50 days	782	27%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2941</b>	<b>100%</b>

\* A CASE refers to all the evidence gathered from an incident or arrest that is related to one or more defendants. Each case may contain one or more ITEMS of different appearance and/or composition, e.g. marijuana, cocaine, heroin.

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**Analysis Profile**

Time in the laboratory for items analyzed this month

1-15 days	254	11%
16-30 days	536	23%
31-50 days	299	13%
Greater than 50 days	1221	53%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2310</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Totals for Drugs of Interest**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Marijuana	434
Cocaine	496
Heroin	305
Others	1075
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2310</b>

**Trafficking Items Analyzed**

<b>Drug Type</b>	<b>Number of Items</b>
Heroin	13
Cocaine	27
Oxycodone	10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>50</b>

**Calendar Year (2011) Totals through the End of the Month**

Items Submitted	5286
Items Analyzed	6342